

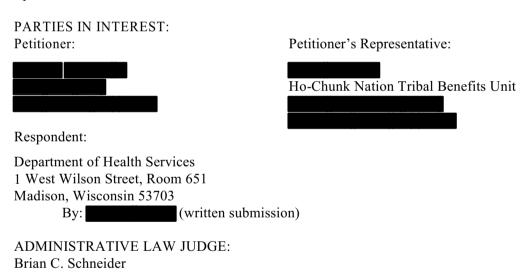
STATE OF WISCONSIN Division of Hearings and Appeals



PRELIMINARY RECITALS

Pursuant to a petition filed January 6, 2016, under Wis. Stat., §49.45(5), to review a decision by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability (DHCAA) to discontinue Medical Assistance (MA), a hearing was held on February 10, 2016, by telephone.

The issue for determination is whether petitioner is eligible for MA as a Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipient.



FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner is a resident of Juneau County.

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2. Petitioner received SSI. Effective May 1, 2015, the Social Security Administration (SSA) discontinued his SSI because he did not report requested information. The State SSI office then notified petitioner that state SSI and MA would end June 1, 2015.

DISCUSSION

Anyone who receives SSI benefits is entitled to receive MA as "categorically needy" under Wis. Stat., §49.46(1)(a)4. Conversely, when SSI eligibility ends so does that person's entitlement to MA under the

provisions of this statutory section. Petitioner remains eligible for MA under a different statutory section, §49.47. Eligibility under that section is determined by the local county agency.

The State SSI office ended petitioner's automatic MA when his SSI ended. Petitioner now either must get his SSI reopened through the SSA, or apply for MA at the Juneau County Dept. of Social Services.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The agency correctly discontinued MA because petitioner's SSI ended.

THEREFORE, it is

ORDERED

That the petition for review is hereby dismissed.

REQUEST FOR A REHEARING

You may request a rehearing if you think this decision is based on a serious mistake in the facts or the law or if you have found new evidence that would change the decision. Your request must be **received within 20 days after the date of this decision.** Late requests cannot be granted.

Send your request for rehearing in writing to the Division of Hearings and Appeals, 5005 University Avenue, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53705-5400 **and** to those identified in this decision as "PARTIES IN INTEREST." Your rehearing request must explain what mistake the Administrative Law Judge made and why it is important or you must describe your new evidence and explain why you did not have it at your first hearing. If your request does not explain these things, it will be denied.

The process for requesting a rehearing may be found at Wis. Stat. § 227.49. A copy of the statutes may be found online or at your local library or courthouse.

APPEAL TO COURT

You may also appeal this decision to Circuit Court in the county where you live. Appeals must be filed with the Court **and** served either personally or by certified mail on the Secretary of the Department of Health Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Room 651, Madison, Wisconsin 53703, **and** on those identified in this decision as "PARTIES IN INTEREST" **no more than 30 days after the date of this decision** or 30 days after a denial of a timely rehearing (if you request one).

The process for Circuit Court Appeals may be found at Wis. Stat. §§ 227.52 and 227.53. A copy of the statutes may be found online or at your local library or courthouse.

Given under my hand at the City of Madison, Wisconsin, this 11th day of February, 2016

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The preceding decision was sent to the following parties on February 11, 2016.

Division of Health Care Access and Accountability State SSI